

VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." ~Mark Twain

May 29, 2013

Fill the Volunteer Gap this Summer!

Fill the volunteer gap when IU students and community members are on vacation! Your short-term assistance during summer, winter and spring breaks is a huge help to the agencies who utilize volunteers to maintain their services year-round. If you choose, you can also make a longer commitment! Use the link below to connect to those agencies that desperately need volunteers during these gaps. Please contact Lucy Schaich at (812) 349-3433 or schaichl@bloomington.in.gov. (BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org/fillthegap)

Event Coordinator for Bloomington Community Band

Bloomington Community Band needs your coordination skills! The Event Coordinator will keep open communication with the Board of Directors while completing tasks such as communicating staging requirements for the band, facilitating publicity, and maintaining the website's concert calendar. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Guy Hardy at (812) 323-0073 or ghardy@proboe.com. (www.bloomingtoncommunityband.net)

Drill Team Instructor for Cry of the Children

Cry of the Children is searching for a Drill Team Instructor. Drill Teams instill a great sense of discipline and attention to detail in young people. They learn to carry themselves with a little more presence; what it is like to have eyes on them at all times; and the honor and sense of pride it takes to perform in a formal presentation or ceremony. The discipline that is associated with military drill teaches youth the importance of respect and refines their overall bearing and responses to direction. If you love working with young people you are welcome! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Dellsie Boddie at (812) 361-4059 or cryofthechildren@gmail.com. (cryofthechildren.com/)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Paynetown Activity Center at Monroe Lake

Manages and interprets unique wildlife and cultural resources using the principles of multiple use and preservation, while sustaining the integrity of these resources for current and future generations. To grant a wish, contact Jill Vance at jvance@dnr.IN.gov or (812) 837-9967 (4850 S. State Rd. 446; www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2954.htm)

Wishes: animal furs, lamination machine, digital camera, binoculars, dryerase boards, child's wagon, beach toys, fishing tackle, card table, folding chairs, craft supplies, cast-iron dutch oven, coffee mugs, large coffee maker

Use the <u>Community Wish List</u> to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

eBay Coordinator for Opportunity House

Opportunity House receives many interesting donations from the community, some of which would generate more revenue if sold online rather than in the store. They need a volunteer to set up an eBay account on behalf of Opportunity House and list one or two items for sale per month. A dependable, ongoing volunteer who can work closely with the Opp House leadership is desired. Proceeds from sales benefit the programs of Monroe County United Ministries. You can make a difference for the community while indulging your love of online auctions! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Rebecca Stanze at (812) 339-3429 or opportunityhouse@mcum.org. (www.freewebs.com/opportunityhouse)

Middle Way House Volunteer Training- June 15

From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 15, Middle Way House will train new volunteers to help maintain the level of service that they provide to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Both women and men are strongly encouraged to attend. Volunteer opportunities span many different program areas including: crisis line, childcare, tutoring, legal advocacy, community reception, and youth mentoring. This training is a prerequisite for volunteering with Middle Way House, but it is also appropriate for anyone interested in learning more about the dynamics of gender and domestic violence. Minimum age is 16 or 14 with an adult. Please contact Debra Morrow at (812) 337-4510 or volunteer@middlewayhouse.org. (www.middlewayhouse.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

